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Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

U.S. Application No. 09/756,690

Filed:

January 9, 2001

Title:

Use of Exendins and Agonists Thereof for

Modulation of Triglyceride Levels and

Treatment of Dyslipidemia

Applicants:

Orville G. KOLTERMAN et al.

Atty. Docket: 18528.451

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO):

- 1. an Amendment and Response to the Office Action mailed April 10, 2003;
- 2. a Petition for Two Month Exertion of Time; and
- 3. a return postcard.

Please stamp the attached postcard with the filing date of these documents and return it to our courier.

Applicants request that the following fees be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing docket number 18528.451:

\$ 205.00 two-month extension of time fee (Small Entity)

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any fees, other than the Two Month Extention of Time (\$205), are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to

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charge such fees to Arnold & Porter Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing matter number 18528.451. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Amendment and Response

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 10, 2003, (Paper No. 25), Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in the documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account Number 50-2387, referencing docket number 18528.451. Applicants likewise authorize a charge to Deposit Account Number 50-2387 for any other fees related to the present application that are not otherwise provided for in the accompanying documents.